Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 29 Dec 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 30 Dec 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 29 Dec 2023 at 03:39

Confidence: High for unsettled and often windy conditions through this period. Lower for rain or snow details and freezing levels.

Headline for Friday 29 Dec 2023: Cold and windy with a few showers, wintry on high summits.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 29 Dec 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Light rain showers	Sleet showers	Heavy snow showers	Light snow showers (night)	Light snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
20%	30%	60%	60%	60%	30%

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Weather: A bright morning with just a few showers, these wintry on the tops. Becoming cloudy with showers developing more widely from about midday, these will fall as sleet or snow above 600m, with the odd heavy and thundery one possible with a risk of hail. Showers will then slowly die out during the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 70% in morning becoming 30% in afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Mainly good visibility in the morning with patchy summit cloud then areas of cloud and fog develop above 500 or 600m in the afternoon. Away from cloud, mainly good visibility but occasionally poor in showers and down to a few hundred metres or less in snow.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	24/31 SW	23/31 W	22/29 W	24/32 W	20/28 W	19/28 W	19/28 W
300	11/27 SW	12/27 W	13/27 W	14/29 W	12/25 W	10/24 W	10/22 SW
Valley	9/25 SW	11/26 W	13/28 W	13/28 W	11/25 W	9/21 W	8/20 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	4/-2	4/-2	4/-2	3/-3	2/-4	2/-4	2/-4
300	6/2	6/2	6/2	6/1	4/0	4/-0	4/-0
Valley	6/4	7/4	7/4	6/3	5/1	4/1	4/1
Freezing Level*	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m	800m	800m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

A cold day on the tops with strong westerly winds, gusts 40 to 50mph at times above 600m.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Fri 29 Dec 2023	19.2mm	66mm	73.8mm

Forecast for Saturday 30 Dec 2023

Weather: Dry start to the night with a touch of frost. Outbreaks of rain, with a brief spell of sleet or snow above 700m, will soon spread in from the southwest by morning. Drier for a time early afternoon then rain turning persistently heavy for a period late afternoon to early evening with some squally winds and drenching conditions. This followed by blustery showers, turning snow above 600m.

Maximum wind: South or southwest 20mph gusts 30mph increasing 40 to 50mph gusts 60-65mph, easing slightly in afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 90% overnight but becoming 20% or less by dawn.

Low cloud and visibility: Visibility quickly deteriorating by dawn as rain arrives, becoming very poor with extensive cloud above 500m. Cloud lifting and breaking for a time early afternoon but some patches down to 500m in showers. Deteriorating significantly again late afternoon into the early evening.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 2C rising to 8C.
At 600m: Plus 2C rising to Plus 5C during morning, then Plus 2C later.
Freezing level: 700m rising above summits for a time, then 800m later.

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